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10. An optical communications system as claimed in claim 8 wherein said mechanical oscillator oscillates at  
5 a frequency in the range of 300Hz to 2500Hz.

11. An optical communications system as claimed in claim 7 wherein said mechanical modulator is in contact with said optical waveguide.

12. An optical communications system as claimed  
10 in claim 7 herein said mechanical modulator emits an audio signal in the presence of said optical waveguide.

13. An optical communications system as claimed in claim 7 herein said mechanical modulator interacts with  
15 an initial portion of said optical waveguide substantially adjacent said interconnection with said laser.

14. An optical communications system as claimed in claim 7 wherein said optical waveguide comprises an optical fibre and further includes a portion of an optical  
20 fibre having an offset core and said mechanical modulator perturbs said portion.

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16. ~~An optical fibre communications system~~  
25 ~~substantially as hereinbefore describe with reference to the accompanying drawings.~~

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